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SUBJECT: REIMBURSABLE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS: CIVIL AVIATION
FAA-LARREA MEETING

REF: STATE 145109

1. IN DISCUSSION WITH E/C COUNSELOR JUNE 14, MARIO LARREA SAID THE DCA HAS DECIDED IT WILL NOT (REPEAT NOT) REQUIRE THE SERVICES OF A SPECIALIST ON ATC RADAR CONTROLLER/PROCEDURES FUNCTIONAL AREA. RATHER, DCA WISHES TO HAVE THE SERVICES ONLY OF A SPECIALIST ON AIR-WORTHINESS/AIR SAFETY, TO REPORT TO QUITO ON OR ABOUT SEPTEMBER 1978, AS PER REF. THIS DECISION WAS PROMPTED IN PART, HE SAID, BY THE FACT THAT THE TYPE OF RADAR SYSTEM PURCHASED BY THE GOE IS NOT IN THE FAA'S INVENTORY; THE DCA FEELS THAT THE FAA ACCORDINGLY COULD NOT SUPPLY A SPECIALIST WHO COULD PROVIDE THE KIND OF ASSISTANCE NEEDED AS REGARDS THE GOE RADAR SYSTEM.

2. EMBASSY AND USAID CONCUR IN ISSUANCE OF A SECTION 607 DETERMINATION ON THE DCA REQUEST FOR REIMBURSABLE
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ASSISTANCE.

3. LARREA EXPRESSED GRATITUDE FOR THE FAA'S WILLINGNESS TO DEVELOP A TRAINING PROGRAM DESIGNED FOR ECUADOREANS AND OTHER FOREIGN NATIONALS. HE SAID, HOWEVER, THAT SUCH TRAINING WOULD BE OF LITTLE VALUE TO THE DCA IF THE INSTRUCTION IS TO BE GIVEN IN ENGLISH. ALL BUT

PERHAPS ONE OR TWO OF THE 17 DCA EMPLOYEES IN GUAYAQUIL WHO WOULD REQUIRE SUCH TRAINING ARE TOTALLY DEFICIENT IN ENGLISH, AND IT WOULD BE IMPRACTICAL TO TRY TO SET UP AN ENGLISH-LANGUAGE TRAINING PROGRAM FOR THEM PRIOR TO THEIR ATTENDANCE AT THE PROPOSED COURSE IN THE U.S.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: FAA IS REQUESTED TO ENDEAVOR TO DEVELOP A TRAINING PROGRAM FOR SPANISH-SPEAKING NATIONALS IN WHICH ALL INSTRUCTION WOULD BE IN SPANISH. THE EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE LEARNING AS PROMPTLY AS POSSIBLE WHETHER THIS REQUEST IS FEASIBLE, AND, IF SO, WHAT THE PROBABLE TIMING WOULD BE FOR THE COMMENCEMENT OF SUCH TRAINING.
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